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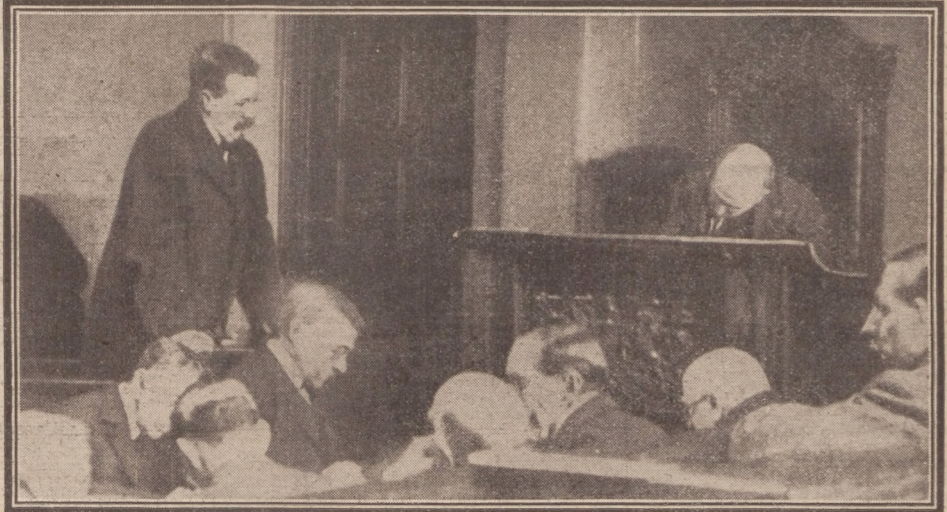
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One Penny.

LADY SETON TELLS A THRILLING STORY TO THE CORONER



Lady Seton, wife of Sir Malcolm Seton, who gave evidence.



Sir Malcolm Cotter Seton, at whose house in Holland Park the tragedy occurred, giving his evidence.



Members of the jury leaving the mortuary after inspecting the body.



Lady Seton in the witness-box. She had a thrilling story to tell the coroner. The inquest on Major Miles Seton was opened at the Kensington Coroner's Court yesterday, when Sir Malcolm Seton, cousin of the deceased officer, described the midnight



Major Miles Seton, the victim of the tragedy.



Mr. Hanson, counsel for the accused officer.



Chief-Inspector Savage (left) arriving at the court with a colleague.

scene in his house, while Lady Seton told how, in her husband's absence, she ordered the accused, Lieutenant-Colonel Rutherford, to put down his pistol. (See page 2.)

SHOT MAJOR'S LAST MOMENTS.

Passed Away with Head on Lady Seton's Lap.

REVOLVER DRAMA.

Lady Seton's Story of a Tense Moment in Tragic Room.

"I HEARD A CLICK."

The veil of a great human drama—a drama where the basic facts are still shrouded in mystery—was but slightly raised yesterday, when the inquest was opened and adjourned on Major Seton, the Australian officer who was shot at the residence of his cousin, Sir Malcolm Seton, at Holland Park, London, on Monday night.

In connection with the tragedy Lieutenant-Colonel Norman Cecil Rutherford (thirty-six, R.A.M.C., Territorial Force, 1/3rd West Riding Ambulance) stands charged with the murder of the dead man.

There were some intensely dramatic moments during the unfolding of the story. Sir Malcolm told how his cousin passed away with his head resting on Lady Seton's knee, and Sir Malcolm said that in reply to his question, "You don't deny" or "You will admit you murdered my cousin," Colonel Rutherford quietly answered "Yes."

"I HEARD A CLICK."

Lady Seton told how while she was attending to her cousin Colonel Rutherford eventually went up to the far end of the room. "The revolver was up that end," she said.

"I heard a click," she added, "and shouted out, 'Put that down at once.'"

Colonel Rutherford did so, Lady Seton said, and when he came back again she said, "You must promise me you won't load that" (meaning the revolver), and he replied, "I will promise you."

Then, she said, he gave a little laugh, and said:

"My dear lady, I would not have given you that promise if it were any use to me."

The coroner, in adjourning the inquiry, stated that he had given Colonel Rutherford an opportunity of attending the inquiry.

The coroner, however, did not desire to attend that day, but he had intimated his intention of appearing on the adjourned inquest that day week.

"PERFECTLY SOBER."

Sir Malcolm Seton Tells Jury About Dead Officer's Conduct.

Sir Malcolm Cotter Charlton Seton in his evidence said he was connected with the India office. He identified the body as that of his cousin. Deceased was in his forty-fourth year, and was a perfectly healthy man, but some years ago had an operation for appendicitis.

He was an Edinburgh man, a Master of Surgery and a Bachelor of Medicine. Deceased had a private practice in Australia, but joined the Army in 1917. He was first stationed in Egypt, and afterwards in England at various Australian depots.

Witness added that the deceased volunteered and went to the Boer war, being awarded the Queen's and King's Medals.

For a time deceased practised in South Africa, and subsequently in Australia. A week ago deceased spent a night at 13, Clarendon road.

Major Seton was a man of great self-command. On the Monday evening the deceased, by arrangement, called at witness' house after dinner.

The coroner: How was he?—Witness: He was in his usual good spirits and very cheerful. Was he a temperate man?—Absolutely. He was perfectly sober.

WHEN THE BELL RANG.

"Four or Five Pistol Shots in Quick Succession."

"Do you know what happened?—My wife and I were sitting upstairs in the smokeroom and deceased joined us there."

We talked for about half an hour and then I moved to a table to write some letters.

Just before one o'clock I heard a bell ring, and a moment later the maid came upstairs and announced Colonel—(I did not catch the surname)—wished to see Major Seton.

My wife caught the name Rutherford, and she said to my cousin, "Won't you bring him up here if he is a friend of yours?"

Deceased got up and said: "I will see what he wants," and left the room.



Vice-Admiral Troubridge. Captain Hon. A. Boyle. Vice-Admiral J. P. Rolleston.

The Coroner: Did he seem pleased or otherwise?

"I really didn't notice," replied the witness. "A few minutes afterwards I heard footsteps on the stairs to the smokeroom. I found, however, that it was only some of the servants going up to their bedroom."

The Coroner: What happened?

Witness: My cousin had only been down about a quarter of an hour. I heard suddenly four or five pistol shots fired in quick succession. I cannot really say the exact number. I think there was a slight pause before the last shot.

Did you hear any conversation?—No, I never heard a word.

Did you hear a fall?—It would be difficult to say. When I heard the shots I ran downstairs, followed by my wife. I heard a groan. There was a body lying in the hall. It was the body of an officer. His face was in the hall and his feet inside the dining-room. I should say that the officer had been leaving the room when he was shot.

"DID YOU DO THAT?"

"Tall Officer Whom I Had Never Seen Before Said 'Yes.'"

Did you see anything else?—I could not tell who of the two was lying on the floor, but as I rushed forward I saw a tall, strange officer, whom I had never seen before, standing in the dining-room beside the table. I am not quite clear what I said, but I believe I called out: "Did you do that?" The tall officer replied: "Yes," very quietly.

Was the officer excited or calm? He was in a curious calm state, as his whole mind had been concentrated on one object, which, having been attained, he did not care what happened.

Would you call his attitude one of calm indifference or callousness?—I would not call his attitude callous. He was quite calm.

My wife bent down over the deceased and, looking at the stranger, said: "You have killed Miles," to which he replied in a very quiet voice: "I only wish I had another bullet for myself."

My wife then said to him: "Can't you help us?"

The officer helped to raise the deceased up. Witness said he could not say if at the moment the officer had a pistol in his hand, but he afterwards saw one on the table.

My wife raised deceased's head on her knee, and in that position he passed away.

Meanwhile witness upstairs and got some water, with which my wife moistened his lips.

My wife said to me: "Oh, go and get the doctor."

I was then in the very difficult position of doing so and leaving my wife alone with the stranger, who seemed intensely distressed at seeing a woman appear on the scene.

SPOKE TO THE COLONEL.

Sir Malcolm's Account of a Dramatic Question and Answer.

I, however, went for the doctor. "All this time there was nothing to prevent the officer leaving the house."

I then went to the police station. A constable came back with me. I found my wife in the same position, with deceased's head on her knee, and with Dr. Brown standing beside her.

The latter said my cousin was dead.

Sir Malcolm went on to say that when the constable came witness handed the pistol to him. When he was about to accompany the officer, witness said to Colonel Rutherford: "You don't deny," or "You will admit that you murdered my cousin?" And he said, quite quietly: "Yes."

The Coroner: You say you did not know Colonel Rutherford?—No. I knew his name—as a friend of my cousin's. I also knew that my cousin was anxious to meet him. In my diary there is an entry in June, 1917.

My cousin was particularly anxious that my wife should meet Colonel Rutherford and Mrs. Rutherford.

As a matter of fact, my cousin arranged a lunch for that date, and my wife went, and there met Mrs. Rutherford. I do not think Colonel Rutherford was at the lunch. As far as he could say, deceased's acquaintanceship with Colonel Rutherford dated fifteen years back.

In reply to Mr. Travers Humphreys' witness said he believed that deceased was made a major about Christmas last.

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TELL FROM MY HORSE'

Extraordinary Story of Officer Charged with Robberies.

"THE STUFF TO GIVE 'EM."

Unusual charges of robbery were described at West London Police Court yesterday, when Rowland D'Arcy, twenty-three, who wore the uniform of a lieutenant of the R.F.A., and gave an address in Gillingham-street, Fulham, was committed for trial.

Mrs. Keen, a contractor of Park-street, Kensington, said that D'Arcy came to the yard leading a horse. His breeches were torn and his coat muddy, and he explained that he had fallen from the animal.

She allowed the prisoner the use of a room to enable him to put all his clothes right, and when he had gone she missed jewellery.

When brought back D'Arcy produced the articles from his pocket, and offered her 10s. "for her trouble."

A second charge was for breaking into F. F. Stowells and Co., in the Mall, Ealing.

Detective Sergeant Foster said D'Arcy told him that he entered the premises by climbing up a chain on pulleys. Then he pulled two other men up. They opened the safe and took about £70.

While D'Arcy was going on someone opened a door, so they "scrambled over some barrels" and waited until all was quiet.

When charged prisoner said: "That's the stuff to give 'em."

MESS TRAGEDY.

Inquest Jury's Verdict of Murder Against a Sergeant.

At the inquest at Newport (Mon.) yesterday on Sergeant John Macdonald, Royal Defence Corps, who was shot in the sergeant's mess at the local depot, Sergeant Michael Sullivan, of the same corps, who stands remanded on the charge of murder, was present.

According to evidence, Macdonald was playing cards when Sullivan got up and went in the direction of his bed.

Later Sullivan returned with a rifle and fired, the top of Macdonald's head being blown off. When the room was taken from him, Sullivan, it was alleged, said to a corporal, "There was one for you," and to the military police said, "I intended it, and if the sergeant-major had been here I would have had him too."

One witness stated that immediately after firing Sullivan swore at the deceased and re-loaded his rifle.

The jury returned a verdict of wilful murder against Sullivan.

ON FREEDOM'S THRESHOLD

French Prisoner Who Longed in Vain to See Mother Again.

FROM G. WARD PRICE.

There can be few things sadder than to watch a man die on the threshold of deliverance. The train that last reached Cologne with 500 released sick men brought with it the bodies of three who had died on the way.

One was a young Frenchman who was taken prisoner in 1914. He was attacked by consumption as a result of overwork and bad food. He knew he was dying, but hoped desperately to see France and his family.

Everything was done to build up the last flicker of his expiring strength, but as the train came into the station the spirit left his emaciated body. He had tasted a few hours of freedom and comfort, but missed by a few hours the sight of the mother and the girl whose names he whispered with his last breath.

Little private clubs are formed among many of these prisoners, whose object it is to return to Germany when opportunity offers on punitive expeditions of their own.

TWO DOGS—TWO BITES.

Solicitor Awarded £21—K.C. Who Was Chased and "Threatened."

The story of a solicitor being bitten by dogs while he was endeavouring to pay an account was told at Chertsey yesterday, when James Abbott, solicitor, claimed compensation against Charles Nicholls, farmer of Addlestone. He said that on reaching the farmyard a black dog bit him on his right leg, while a small sheepdog bit him on the other.

Mr. Bramwell Davis, K.C., a resident of the district, said the dogs had chased and threatened him, but fortunately had "not got home."

The Judge awarded £21 compensation.

TO-DAY'S THE DAY FOR WAR BONDS.

To-day's the day—your last chance to buy War Bonds, the world's finest investment.

The Treasury hope that the final total will reach the stupendous figure of £1,500,000,000.

Application for bonds should be made at the banks to-day before twelve o'clock, or at any Money Order Post Office before closing time.

Those who are too late to catch the banks before they close this morning should write to their banker and see that the letter is posted as much before midnight as possible.

STORY OF ONE-DAY HONEYMOON.

Wife's Letter to Husband—Love for Guardian.

"I HAVE DECEIVED YOU."

An amazing story of a one-day honeymoon, of a wife's ultimatum to her husband and of her love for an elderly major, her guardian, was told in the Divorce Court yesterday, when Lieutenant John Russell Budd, R.A.F., was granted a decree nisi with costs.

He alleged as grounds for the dissolution of his marriage misconduct of his wife with Major G. M. Horn.

Mr. Clifford Mordimer said that Lieutenant Budd in 1917 made the acquaintance of the respondent. She was staying at Harrogate when he discovered, and that he (the husband) as her guardian, an elderly man, who passed as her guardian.

They were married in February last, and after spending the night together the lieutenant went away to his home in Nottingham, where he received a telegram from Major Horn saying all was discovered, and that he (the husband) was to return at once and get his marriage annulled on his father would be informed.

Lieutenant Budd came to London, and was met by Major Horn, who handed him two

WEEK'S BEST READING.

The following brilliant articles appear in to-morrow's Sunday Pictorial:—

Stop the Waste of Public Money! By Horatio Bottomley, M.P.

If Bolshevism Comes to Britain! A Timely Warning to the People of This Country. By Sir Sidney Low.

Brighter Cricket—and How to Get It. By Max Debenham.

The Advent of the "Maid Chauffeur." A New Occupation for Our Demobilised Girls. By E. Vaughan-Clifford.

letters, at the same time saying, "Don't you know she is my mistress, and about to become the mother of my child?"

One letter from Mrs. Budd said:— "I have told the major that we are married, and he will not let me stay here with him without permission from you to do so. I have deceived you all along, and George is really my husband, though not legally. I also omitted to tell you that I am expecting to become the mother of his child."

I am determined not to leave George, and as he will not let me stay with him without permission, in which you agree that I shall remain as his wife, I am now writing you to implore you to release me.

I love George, and not you, and have found it out too late. I am determined not to be a wife more than in name to you. Once more, release me and forget me."

If you do not do this, then George will give everything away and so bring disgrace to your father, your family and also to you five years for marrying a minor.

Lieutenant Budd gave evidence, saying that the major asked him to sign a document agreeing that he (the major) and Mrs. Budd should continue to live together. The husband refused to sign it. His wife always referred to the major as "Guardie."

"IRISH PARLIAMENT."

No News To Be Issued Except in the Irish Language.

The third meeting of the Irish Republican members of Parliament was held at the Mansion House, Dublin, yesterday, Mr. John T. O'Kelly presiding. The drawing up of rules for the conduct of business in the Irish Parliament was considered, and also the sending of delegates to the Peace Conference. It was decided that no version of the report dealt with by Parliament should be supplied to the newspapers except in the Irish language.

NEWS ITEMS.

A Monster Pike, weighing 25lb. and measuring 46in. has been landed at Farnborough. Bear Butternoses.—Small bunches of violets (butternoses) fetched 1s. 6d. each at Manchester.

Mr. Sam Gompers arrived in England yesterday en route to the International Trade Union Conference.

To-day's weather is forecasted as fair generally, some showers, wind veering from south-west to north-west.

Fell Dead on Stage.—Having responded to an encore song at a concert at Stranahan (Tyrona) Sergeant Major Sudworth (Lancashire Regiment) dropped dead on the stage.

MORE PAY FOR LOWER DECK.

The Daily Mirror learns that a Committee on Naval Pay, sitting under the presidency of Admiral Jerram, is to take fresh evidence from the ratings at Portsmouth. An increase of naval pay is anticipated.

WORLD'S GREATEST PEACE CONGRESS OPENS TO-DAY

MONTH'S EXTENSION OF ARMISTICE.

No Blockade Raising, but Some Sea-Trading.

ERZBERGER'S WHINE.

PARIS, Friday.

As a result of the conference between the Allied and German delegates held at Treves, the armistice has been prolonged by a month.

The clauses regarding agricultural material, Russian prisoners of war, the naval conditions and the recovery of material removed by the enemy from the invaded districts have been signed by the enemy.

Later.—The following announcement has been issued here: The new clauses of the armistice between the Allied and Associated Powers and Germany have been signed.

These concern the surrender of German submarines ready to put to sea and the destruction of submarines in course of construction, the existence of which in German ports has been ascertained by the Inter-Allied Commission.

The clause placing the German merchant fleet at the disposal of the Allies has also been signed.—Reuter.

Apparently the use of German mercantile tonnage by the Allies is not one of the new terms, but it has been arranged that certain German vessels shall be used for revictualing purposes.

UNDER TWO FLAGS.
They will have German crews, and will fly two flags—that of the country to which they are assigned and a special inter-Allied flag in red, white and blue, with a horizontal red bar across it.

Some amount of German sea-trading with adjacent countries is going on under permit from the Allies, but there is no suggestion of yielding to the clamour for the removal of the general blockade. A Berlin telegram says:—

The proceedings opened with a speech by Herr Erzberger, who said: "The German people want peace, but the Allied Governments speak of peace, but only of prolonging the armistice." He went on to complain that the Allies have violated the armistice, and ended by asking:—

"Lastly, when will you raise the blockade? Germany's food conditions are daily growing worse, and hunger would produce a mental condition which would have consequences which the Allies cannot desire."

Secondly, will the Entente now undertake binding obligations respecting the return of German prisoners of war?

Thirdly, when shall we be in a position to conclude a preliminary peace?"—Reuter.

PUNISHMENT DEMAND.

May Occupy Strasbourg Fortress as a Guarantee.

A Berlin telegram states that under the terms prolonging the armistice Germany has to deliver up some 53,000 agricultural machines of various kinds by February 17.

Furthermore, punishment is demanded of those who have been guilty of illegal treatment of prisoners of war in Germany.

As a guarantee the Entente reserves the right of occupying that sector of the fortress of Strasbourg.—Reuter.

THE GERMAN DELEGATION.

The Berlin *Neueste Nachrichten* reports that Prince Lichnowsky (German Ambassador in London at the outbreak of war) will be the head of the German peace delegation, which will, it is expected, also include Count Brockdorff-Rantzau, the Foreign Minister, Herr Aroo (the Socialist), and possibly Count Aroo.—Reuter.

SOME ITALIAN CLAIMS.

The Italian Colonial Congress, says a Rome exchange message, has passed a resolution stating that Italy should claim in Asia Minor the vilayets of Aiden, Smyrna and Adana side by side with their railroad systems, the coast of Euxine (Africa), the Farsan Isles (Red Sea), and adds that Arabia should be divided into spheres of influence.

FATE OF AUSTRIA'S FLEET.

PARIS, Friday.

It is understood that the Venice Conference has decided that the Austrian Fleet shall be brought to Corfu, where it would be received by Admiral Gauthier of the French Navy, in accordance with the terms of the Treaty of Versailles.

Press to Attend Full Conference, but "On Occasions Debate May Be In Camera."

BELGIUM AND SERBIA GET EXTRA SEAT.

The great Peace Conference, in which the whole hopes of the world of waiting millions are centred, will open at 3 p.m. this afternoon at the Quai d'Orsay in Paris.

When President Poincaré rises to deliver the first address he will speak to a wonderful assembly of statesmen drawn from both hemispheres—to representatives of twenty-five Powers. Mr. Wilson and other leaders will reply.

The Conference has decided to admit the Press to the full meetings, but "upon necessary occasions the deliberations may be held in camera."

Belgium and Serbia now have three delegates each and the King of the Hedjaz will have two delegates.

KING OF HEDJAZ ALLOTTED TWO DELEGATES.

Why There May Be Closed Doors On Occasions.

OFFICIAL.

The President of the United States of America, the Prime Minister and Foreign Ministers of the Allied Great Powers, assisted by the Japanese Ambassadors in Paris and London, met at the Quai d'Orsay yesterday, in the morning from 10.30 a.m. until 12.30 p.m., and in the afternoon from 3 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

Armistice.—The French President of the Council read the terms of the renewal of the armistice.

Peace Seats.—The meeting afterwards decided to give Belgium and Serbia three delegates each at the Conference. The King of the Hedjaz will be represented by two delegates.

FINAL ALLOTMENT.

The question of the number of delegates for the various Powers is thus finally established.

The agenda for the sitting of the opening of the Conference, which will take place to-day at 3 p.m. at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, was afterwards arranged.

Publicity.—The meeting finally examined the question of the publicity to be given to the discussions at the Conference and unanimously approved the following text:—

The representatives of the Allies and associated Powers have given earnest consideration to the question of publicity for the proceedings of the Peace Conference.

They are anxious that the public, through the Press, should have the fullest information compatible with safeguarding the supreme interest of all, which is that a just and honourable settlement should be arrived at with the minimum of delay.

It is, however, obvious that publicity with regard to the preliminary conversations now proceeding must be subject to the limitations necessarily imposed by the difficult and delicate nature of their object.

The conversations of the Great Powers are far more analogous to the meetings of a Cabinet than to those of a legislature.

"FREE AND OPEN."

Nobody has ever suggested that Cabinet meetings should be held in public, and if they were so held the work of Government would become impossible.

One reason why Cabinets are held in private is in order that differences may be reconciled and agreement reached before the stage of publicity is begun.

The essence of democratic method is not that deliberations of a Government should be conducted in public, but that its conclusions should be subject to the consideration of a popular chamber, and to free and open discussion.

The representatives of the Allied and Associated Powers are holding conversations in order to solve questions which affect the vital interests of many nations and upon which they may at present hold many diverse views.

These deliberations cannot proceed by the

method of a majority vote. No nation can be committed except by the free vote of its own delegates.

The conclusions arrived at in these consultations therefore can only be formed by the difficult process of reaching agreement among all.

This vital process would only be hindered if the discussion of every disputed question were to be given by a public declaration by each delegation of its own national point of view.

Such a declaration would in many cases be followed by a premature public controversy. This would be serious enough if it were confined to controversy between parties within each state.

It might be extremely dangerous if, as would often be inevitable, it resulted in controversy between nations.

"JUST, BUT SPEEDY."

Moreover, such public declarations would render that give and take on the part of the delegates themselves, which is essential to a successful negotiation.

It is also extremely important that the settlement should be not only just but speedy. Every belligerent Power is anxious for the early conclusion of peace in order that its armies may be demobilised and that it may return once more to the ways of peace.

If premature publicity is given to the negotiations the proceedings of the Peace Conference would be terminably protracted and the delegates would be forced to speak not only to the business before the Conference but to concern themselves with the controversies which had been raised by the account of their proceedings outside.

Finally, there will often be very strong reasons against announcing the conclusions of the conversations as they are arrived at.

Representatives of a nation may be willing to give their assent on one point only provided they receive concessions on another point which has not yet been discussed.

CLOSED DOORS QUESTION.

It will not be possible to judge of the wisdom and justice of the peace settlement until it can be viewed as a whole and premature announcements might lead to misapprehensions and anxiety as to the ultimate results for which there was no real foundation.

In calling attention to these necessary limitations on publicity the representatives of the Powers do not underrate the importance of carrying public opinion with them in the vast task by which they are confronted. They recognise that unless public opinion approves of the result of their labours they will be nugatory.

This reasoning applies with conclusive force to the present conversations between the representatives of the Great Powers. With regard to the full conferences the following rule was adopted:—Representatives of the Press shall be admitted to the meetings of the full conference, but upon necessary occasions the deliberations of the Conference may be held in camera.

Following M. Clemenceau's speech in the French Chamber in favour of secrecy at the Conference, which was interrupted by the Socialist, says the Central News, the Premier declared:—

"I cannot let you use such expressions against a man who is employing his last moments in serving his country."

BERLIN'S VENGEANCE ON TERRORISTS.

Liebknecht and "Red Rosa" Killed by Mob.

DEATH ON THE 'PHONE.

Berlin has been the scene of yet another drama. This time it is a "Red" drama, and the victims are Karl Liebknecht and Rosa Luxemburg, the Spartacist leaders.

Liebknecht, it seems, was shot by his guard while attempting to escape from the motor-car in which he was being driven to prison, while Rosa Luxemburg ("Red" Rosa, as she was called) was torn to pieces by an infuriated mob.

HOW "TERRORISTS" DIED.

"Red Rosa's" Body Carried Away and Not Yet Recovered.

COPENHAGEN, Friday.

The special correspondent in Berlin of the *National Tidende* says that after his arrest Liebknecht was taken to the Hotel Eden. He at first denied his identity, but was searched and his identity established.

He was then taken to an automobile outside, but the sight of him excited the crowd, and he was seized and soundly thrashed.

The news that the two Spartacist leaders had been captured spread rapidly, and huge crowds soon gathered clamouring for revenge on the authors of the terror in Berlin.

Before long the crowd had forced a way into the hotel, and the soldiers therefore quickly removed the prisoners.

The crowd threw themselves upon Rosa Luxemburg and beat her into an unconscious condition.

She was taken away in an automobile, but the car was stopped by the guard at the Cornelius Bridge.

As soon as it became known to the people there that Rosa Luxemburg was in the car a man rushed up and shot her through the head. The crowd immediately took possession of the

SIXTY-SIX PEACE SEATS.

The peace seats are now finally constituted as follows:—

America	5	King of Hedjaz	2
France	5	Poland	2
Great Britain	5	Portugal	2
Italy	5	Rumania	2
Japan	5	Cuba	1
Australia	1	Guatemala	1
Canada	2	Haiti	1
South Africa	2	Honduras	1
India	1	Liberia	1
Belgium	3	Nicaragua	1
Brazil	3	New Zealand	1
Serbia	3	Montenegro	1
China	2	Panama	1
Czecho-Slovakia	2	Siam	1
Greece	2		

corpse, and no one has yet ascertained where the woman's body was taken.

Meanwhile another car was requisitioned to take Liebknecht to the Moabit Prison.

As the automobile was passing through the Tiergarten one of the tyres was punctured and the car stopped.

Liebknecht at once jumped out and started to run away. Soldiers called to him to stop, but he continued to run. Shots were fired after him and he fell dead.—Central News.

A Berlin dispatch states that Liebknecht's whereabouts were revealed to the authorities through a conversation being overheard on the telephone by the Government agents who were looking for him.

It appears that Liebknecht telephoned to Rosa Luxemburg agreeing to meet her at the house of a man named Marcuse, residing in Wilmsdorf.

It was at this house that Liebknecht and Rosa Luxemburg were both arrested.

Advices from Berlin, says the Central News, state that the Government are controlling Berlin with an iron hand.

LENIN OUT TO BARGAIN.

COPENHAGEN, Friday.

According to the Swedish Social Democratic, *Litvet*, the Russian Bolshevik Minister at Stockholm, has sent a Note to President Wilson declaring that the Bolshevik Government is prepared to cease its world propaganda if the Allies will agree to enter into peace negotiations with them.—Exchange.

STOCKHOLM, Friday.

According to intelligence from Helsingfors a report has reached there from Reval that the Bolsheviks have started a general hurried retreat.

The reason is stated to be that a counter-revolution has broken out in Petrograd.—Reuter.

The Estonians report the capture of Dorpat



Count Aroo, who may be a peace delegate.



Herr Erzberger, who signed new armistice terms.



Major Cos, the observer in aerial flight to Scotland.



Prince Lichnowsky, who may be a German peace delegate.

FOR SERVICES IN THE JUTLAND BATTLE.

Award to Officer Only Just Announced.

D.S.O. FOR NAVAL M.P.

It is a far cry back to the battle of Jutland, but a *Gazette* of yesterday's date announces a further award in connection with this action.

The honour conferred is the Distinguished Service Cross, and the recipient Sub-Lieutenant (now Acting-Lieutenant) Reginald Dundley Rowe.

He was navigating officer of H.M.S. Nestor and was stationed on the bridge, whence he controlled the gunfire of the vessel with such success and cool bravery that two of the enemy's destroyers were quickly sunk and the remainder of their flotilla put to flight.

The control was carried out under the heaviest fire not only from the opposing destroyers, but from the enemy's secondary armament.

D.S.O.

Lieut.-Cmdr. Edward Hilton Young, D.S.C., M.P., R.N.V.R. In recognition of his services in command of an armoured train during the operations on the Archangel-Vologda Railway on October 14, 15 and 16, 1918.

This officer displayed great initiative, gallantry and dash, invariably pushing forward as far as possible and causing the engine armoured train to retire by direct fire.

Wing-Comdr. Charles Edward Harry Rathborne, R.N.A.S. (Capt., R.M.L.I., now Lieut.-Col. R.A.F.). In recognition of his gallantry and devotion to duty during the course of a long distance air raid in which he acted as pilot of a fighting machine which formed part of the escort.

Wing-Commander Rathborne was brought down whilst protecting the bombing machines, his engine having been put out of action. It was owing to the gallantry and self-sacrifice of this officer and those of the other fighting machines that all the bombing machines returned safely from the raid.

FOREIGN HONOURS.

Decorations for First Sea Lord and Broke's Commander.

France has paid tribute to the services of Admiral Sir Rosslyn Wemyss, the First Sea Lord, and has conferred upon him the Grand Cross, Legion of Honour.

This announcement is made in a supplement of the *London Gazette* of yesterday's date, which also announced that the King of Siam has conferred upon the Admiral the Order of the White Elephant, First Class.

Another interesting announcement is that the President of the Portuguese Republic has conferred the Order of the Tower and Sword, Second Class, upon Captain Edward R. G. R. Evans, C.B., D.S.O., R.N.

Captain Evans, it will be remembered, was in command of H.M. destroyer Broke, which earned undying fame in one of the Channel raids, and was second in command to the late Captain Scott in the Antarctic.

WAR GRATUITIES.

What Relatives or Legatees of Soldiers Should NOT Do.

The Secretary of the War Office draws attention to the fact that large numbers of unnecessary or wrongly addressed communications on the subject of war gratuity are reaching the department.

As stated in the poster exhibited at post-offices, it is unnecessary for relatives or legatees of soldiers or airmen dying in the service to address any application on the subject to the War Office except in cases where a person entitled to share in an estate has changed his, or her, address since the original distribution of the estate was made.

In all other cases the persons concerned will be communicated with in due course, although, in view of the numbers involved, the work must necessarily take a considerable time to complete.

REDUCED EXCESS PROFITS TAX.

The excess profits tax is likely to be reduced. "The present 50 per cent. duty (excess profits duty) encourages extravagance and discourages enterprise," says the report, issued yesterday by the Ministry of Reconstruction, of the Committee on Financial Risks Attached to the Holding of Trading Stocks.

The Committee recommend the reduction of the present excess profit duties wherever practicable.

SUSSEX DOWNS MYSTERY.

The body of an elderly man, who had apparently been dead for several months, was found yesterday in a belt of furze on the Downs near East Dean, Sussex.

By the side of the body was a small brown brief bag containing a razor, compass, hand mirror, four wax candles, a powerful electric torch, and a considerable sum of money, mostly in Treasury notes.

VAUDEVILLE FUN: "THE MERCHANT OF VENISON."



"The Merchant of Venison," which provides much fun in "Buzz-Buzz" at the Vaudeville Theatre, London. It offers playgoers a rich feast of irresponsible fun, which is evidently greatly appreciated.

SALE OF DRURY LANE

**Row at Shareholders' Meeting—
"Are We To Be Robbed?"**

OFFER FOR NEW MIDDLESEX.

Uproarious scenes took place at an extraordinary general meeting yesterday of the shareholders of the Drury Lane Theatre, held to consider a conditional contract for the sale of the undertaking.

The offer provides for all the shareholders a distribution of 17s. 6d. per share where 15s. has been paid and £1 2s. 6d. where £1 has been paid on each share, the shareholders to be relieved of the liability of 5s. per share.

Since Sir A. Butt's offer was made known several other bids at a higher figure have been made for the theatre from well-known theatrical promoters, including that of Mr. Gulliver, managing director of the Palladium, to purchase the whole of the company's undertaking and assets and to take over its liabilities for the sum of £155,000, leaving it to the shareholders to settle with their directors what sum should be paid to the directors as compensation for loss of office.

Mr. A. R. Stevenson, who presided (in the absence of the chairman, Mr. T. H. Birch), said: "That the consensus of opinion is in favour of the sale of the undertaking is shown by the large number of proxies received, and justifies the action which the board took when they accepted Sir A. Butt's offer in September last." "Shame!" The chairman then moved the resolution.

Mr. E. Dagnell, a shareholder, loudly demanded that the resolution should not be seconded, and he was vociferously supported by practically the entire meeting. "Are the shareholders to be robbed?" he asked.

Mr. Arthur Collins then seconded the resolution.

Chairman: I am a member of this board, and I was party to this contract with Sir Alfred Butt being entered into. Do you think that I am going back on a bargain and my word?

After further uproar the chairman and the board walked out of the meeting.

Mr. W. H. Devenish then took the chair, and a committee of inquiry was appointed.

Subsequently this committee met and decided to meet again on Tuesday next at the office of Mr. W. H. Devenish, solicitor, 13, Walbrook, who they elected as their chairman. It was also decided to invite the directors to meet the committee.

New Middlesex Deal.—It is stated that Mr. Laurillard, of Messrs. Grossmith and Laurillard, three months ago made proposals for the purchase of the Middlesex Theatre and Variety.

A meeting of the shareholders is to be held on Thursday to consider the matter.

QUEUE OF SHIPS OFF DEAL

**Pilots Who Could Not Be
"Dropped"—Hours of Delay.**

Some twenty outward-bound vessels came into the Downs off Deal on Thursday, and blew their sirens and signalled for the Trinity House steam cutter to come out and take the pilots to shore.

As the cutter failed to appear, Deal boatmen eventually launched their boats and, despite darkness and rough seas, took off a number of pilots, although some steamers were delayed twelve to sixteen hours, and a few proceeded with their pilots on board.

WELSH LANDSLIDE.

Five more houses are seriously damaged by the subsidence in Ebbw Vale, and another landslide has taken place at Glyn Menth, Glamorgan-shire.

Extensive floods are reported near the Severn Tunnel and the Wye Valley.

AMAZING FIND.

**Domestic Servant Who Could Not
Get Work in London!**

MISTRESS' LEAGUE PLAN.

A remarkable discovery was made by *The Daily Mirror* yesterday.

One of our representatives actually encountered in London a servant who could not find domestic employment!

"I am tired of looking for a situation in London," she said. "Mistresses are offering good wages, but they are asking too much."

"I cannot cook. I am only good at cleaning. I have a good eight months' reference."

"I used to help the butler and act as 'between' maid. I am asking 10s. a week."

The girl is fifteen years of age.

Suggestions for solving the domestic servant problem continue to reach this office in large numbers.

One received yesterday proposes a "Domestic League," run by a committee of voluntary workers. Mistresses of all classes should be allowed to join the league on payment of a subscription—say, 10s. Some suggested conditions, to which those who joined the league must adhere, are:—

Servants to have certain hours for work. Servants to have good food.

Servants to have absolute freedom during hours off, even if in the house.

Outdoor exercise allowed for every day. Servants to have at least two evenings free during the week and every Sunday after lunch. Also one week-end, Saturday till Monday, every month-end.

Branches of a league of this kind might be formed in every big town.

DOMESTIC SERVICE IGNORED.

A queue of about 1,400 well-dressed women was to be seen outside the Bruce Grove Labour Exchange, Tottenham, yesterday, waiting to be paid the out-of-work bonus. Extra police were put on to regulate the crowd, but there was no disorder.

A local paper published at Tottenham yesterday contains about 20 advertisements for domestic servants.

THE PRINCE AND GUARDS.

**Colours Presented "in Hour of
Victory" to Battalions in Cologne.**

Cologne, Tuesday (received to-day).

This morning the Prince of Wales presented the colours to three battalions of the Guards, the 2nd Battalion of Irish Guards, the 4th Grenadier Guards and the 4th Coldstream Guards. Colonels Gordon, Pilcher and Edwards were the three commanding officers.

The Prince spoke of the special pleasure it gave him to hand the 4th Grenadiers its colours in the hour of victory, since he also had the honour of serving in the Grenadiers. To the Coldstream Battalion the Prince laid stress on its magnificent work in bridging the canal at Boesinghe and the high standard of efficiency and enterprise maintained by them all through the hard struggles of last year.—*Reuter's Special.*

HALF-MILLION MEN FREE.

Since the armistice the following numbers have been discharged or demobilised: Demobilised officers, 10,221; other ranks, 35,377. Discharged, medically unfit: Other ranks, 40,893; discharged from Classes WW (T), P and P (T) of the Reserve, other ranks, 144,351.

GORED TO DEATH BY BULL.

Her husband, a cowman, having been gored to death by a bull, Rose Wilkins, of Twyford, Berks, was awarded £232 compensation at Chertsey County Court yesterday against the owner of the animal.

WOMAN SOBS AND CRIES IN COURT.

**Judgment Reserved After
Jury Awards £250.**

"NO EVIDENCE" PLEA.

The action brought by Henriette Janvier, a Frenchwoman, formerly a Court dress-maker in Bayswater, now residing in Douglas, Isle of Man, against John Sweeney and George Baker, inquiry agents, concluded in the King's Bench Division last night, after two days' hearing.

Plaintiff brought the action to recover damages for alleged fraud and conspiracy, and for a false statement which, she said, had caused her physical harm.

Six questions were put to the jury by his Lordship, and after an absence of half an hour they answered them in favour of plaintiff and awarded £250 damages.

Mr. Hayes asked for judgment for Sweeney on the ground that there was no evidence on which the jury could find their answer to one question and on the ground of the first part of their answer to another question.

His Lordship reserved judgment pending legal arguments on the point.

While Sweeney was giving evidence plaintiff had an hysterical outburst in court, sobbing and crying out: "I can't stand it; it is lies." The Judge asked that she should be taken out of court, and she was absent from the proceedings for some time.

SINN FEIN ARRESTS.

**Story of Police Seizure of Revolvers
in London Houses.**

It is stated that a preliminary inquiry was being conducted yesterday by the military authorities in connection with the arrest in London of two men suspected of Sinn Fein activities.

It is alleged that one, an Englishman, has been selling firearms to Sinn Feiners, and that the other is a member of the Sinn Fein organisation.

Both the men are civilians and are at present in Brixton Gaol.

It is understood that a seizure of revolvers has been made by the police at two houses in London, one being in Camden Town.

ST. WINIFRED'S CURE.

**Girl Consumptive Tells of Its
Virtues—'Another Fight for Life.'**

From Our Own Correspondent.

Given up as incurable, Catherine Coyne, aged nineteen, of Liverpool, who suffered for two years from tuberculosis, says that she owes her renewed health to the wonderful waters of St. Winifred's Well, Holywell, North Wales.

Miss Coyne told me how, after being discharged from the hospital as incurable, she thought she would have "another fight for life."

"I was taken into St. Winifred's Well by a lady friend," she said. "For about the seventh time I felt sick, and later on vomited considerably. Judge of my surprise when I began to feel myself again."

"I could breathe freely and walked by myself once more. I went to a local doctor, who after examining me with a specialist, said that he could find no trace of disease."

"I got home and went to the sanatorium, where the doctors also declared that I was free from the disease, and said that the cure was a remarkable one."

THE STOCK EXCHANGE.

**War Loan's New Record—Imperial
Tobacco Profits.**

Quite a number of good features developed in Stock Markets yesterday. War Loan 5 per Cent. further anticipated to-day's closing of War Bonds subscription lists by attaining 95s. (close 94 1/2), the best price recorded since the issue at a date no far ahead of half-yearly dividend payment. War Loan at half-a-guinea at 95 may prove very valuable. And to-day is the last day to secure these rights. Consols 109 5/8.

In Industrial Niggers feature, 50s. buyers, new shares 7s. premium. United States 28s. Imperial National 30s. R. H. and S. Rogers 16s. R. H. shares 11s. 6d. (a record price, comparing with lowest 3s. last year). Baldwin 42s. all good spots. Maypools 22s. 7 1/2. Murex 9s. 6d. Aerial Bread steady at 25s. 6d. 1/2. Mexican Eagles again prominent in oils, 95s. 3/4. Lobitos strong 3 1/2. On anticipated absorption by Standard Oil. N. Caucasians 25s. 3/4. Wests 10s. 6d. amalgamation of the best of the Caucasians companies is mooted. London and Thames Haven Oil reported ahead to 3 1/2.

Imperial Tobacco bought again for investment 60s. 6d., anticipating increased dividend. Accounts are due next month. In each of last two years dividend 22 1/2 per cent. Net profit for 1917 was £3,468,500. For many years £1,000,000 annually has been ploughed to reserve, a conservative policy that cannot be indefinitely continued.

Dagblafonteins the feature among mines, 33s. 6d. 1/2. In sympathy Cons. Mines Selection 33s. 6d. 1/2. Colombian Mining good 60s. 6d. 1/2. Burmas 51. Lake Views 16s. 6d.

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WHEN 'TOMMY' REALISES.

THEIR friends at home sometimes feel inclined, in these days, to ask of more or less "disgruntled" men at the front why it is that things are unendurable which in early days would have seemed nothing in comparison with what they actually did endure.

The answer can be supplied from a commonplace of ordinary life. We put up with great ills, little ones break the bounds of our patience.

So now, during demobilisation, comes for "Tommy," as for all of us, the irritation of relatively little things. . . .

And to "Tommy" especially comes the disposition to regard his job as done, to "plant" everything where he is—rifle, knapsack, uniform—and to rush off home and to civil life again: because (he holds in his heart) "we're really not wanted any more."

That is precisely the miscalculation.

What the mass of men, in or out of the Army, have failed to realise since the armistice has been the fact that the soldier's job is not nearly done yet. While the whole settlement is under discussion, the spoken word of the peace delegate needs to be backed by the drawn sword of the fighting man. The armistice was confused with the peace. When "Tommy" realises that he will be less impatient.

Next, since he fought and faced death for the good of "home," it is incredible that he should not place home—the good of the community—before the minor injustices in demobilisation plans.

Almost any conceivable plan—even an ideal one—is bound, in one way or another, to annoy very many soldiers. But the results of indiscipline would, in the end, annoy the soldier more, since they would make his home a place of utter confusion.

When he realises that he will continue in faithful discipline to the end.

Again, one man goes before another, and in many cases that means or seems injustice. A better plan exists (we may be sure) in every man's mind who doesn't go!

But the good of all may demand apparent occasional injustice. A good general plan may bear hardly upon the individual.

It is the same in any big business, in any common design, in any enterprise where the vote of the majority decides. Many don't agree. A minority suffer. But it is for the ultimate good of all. The minority are silent.

When "Tommy" realises this he will put up with what is irksome, just as for years he endured what was unendurable.

To us, it seems, indeed, that with him—to win him and keep him—it is, then, merely a case of making him realise: that is, of adequate explanation, followed by straightforward action.

The Press is unjustly blamed as the creator of discontents, whereas it only voices them. Want of clear explanation is far more responsible for discontent in the Army at home or abroad. And of the several things that now need making clear the chief is this—that the state of Europe is dangerous in the extreme, that the Allied armies alone are there to keep order and to bring the peace, that disorder's preliminary cure, and that therefore those armies must be as strong and as well disciplined as in the days of their first fighting.

Let him realise all this and the soldier will stand still patiently at his post, as sentinel for the statesmen who must bring him better days.

W. M.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

To be capable of steady friendship and lasting love are the two greatest proofs not only of goodness of heart, but of strength of mind.—Hazlitt.

DOES DOMESTICITY ALWAYS MEAN DULNESS?

IT CAN BE AS INTERESTING AS GOLF OR GARDENING!

By Mrs. STANLEY WRENCH.

MOST people say it does. One repeatedly hears the proverb quoted about "Home-keeping youth" and "Homely wits." I am not so sure that it is true.

The ordinary household routine of dish-washing, bed-making, dusting and sweeping may become a thing of boredom, and I am quite sure that the multitudinous duties which make up many a woman's day are both distracting and wearisome.

Consequently, at its close, she is too jaded to trouble about sharpening her wits or making the best of her person.

That is a huge mistake. Almost every woman will own that to change into "glad rags" in the evening will brush away some of the weariness of the day. A change of

and hoard in our homes all kinds of dust-traps and distractions, which not only make more labour, but impoverish us by their very presence. I maintain that if an article is neither useful nor beautiful it is harmful, and should be banished. It may be a drain-pipe disguised as an umbrella stand or an antique teapot, whose only claim to worth is its age.

It is a survival of the Victorian ages, this craze for keeping things.

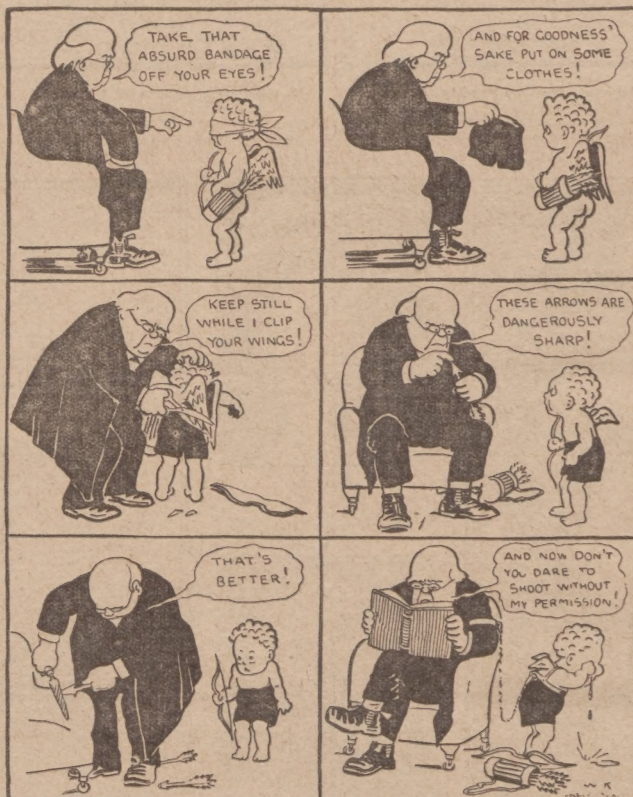
HOUSEHOLD SURPRISES.

Our parents kept everything—from receipts and dinner invitations to locks of hair and photographs; from old fishing tackle to packets of love letters; from disused garden-mowers to plates with a crack across them.

It was an amiable weakness, but a weakness.

To-day it is more than that. It is a nuisance. I like the almost empty room. I like as little furniture as possible. And I like no ornaments.

CUPID CONTROLLED: WILL IT COME TO THIS?



Our leading article recently pointed out that the after-war professors are seeking to "control" the after-war marriage. Will they succeed in disciplining true love?—(By W. K. Haselden.)

clothes brings a change of character to some women!

But if a woman allows her entire individuality to be swamped and totally absorbed by the duties that lie within the four walls of her home she is in danger of becoming dull.

That is why I would plead for a revolution in the home. Simplify life, so that domesticity is neither arduous nor monotonous. Attend less to the keeping up of shams and the shibboleth of "polite society" and the domesticated woman need neither be dull nor work-drugged.

How are we going to do it?

One hears whispers of communal homes. We know the communal kitchen is with us, but the majority of married folk are too conservative to consider the former, and the latter plan will not wholly solve the problem. For if the individual kitchen is banished there yet remain dining-room, drawing-room, nurseries and bedrooms to be cleaned and set in order.

If we make a clean sweep in our homes and banish from them all that is neither beautiful nor useful, one step in the right direction will be made.

We women accumulate trifles, we collect

Having discarded superfluous furniture and fittings, every woman should keep an eye open for labour-savers in domestic work. Some are expensive, hence denied to many of us, but insistent demand will create a supply—in time.

Thirdly, discard convention and custom—and become original.

Because bacon as a breakfast dish is considered correct, is there any reason why it should be served year in, year out?

Another custom has decreed that in middle-class homes a hot lunch should be partaken of on Sundays.

Is there a sound reason why we should continue the plan? The domesticated woman who springs surprises on her household gets almost as much fun out of it as they.

Domesticity need not spell dullness.

It often does, more is the pity! But if women will only seize their opportunities now, and, instead of making a fetish of house-keeping, take up housecraft in these servant-less days as others do golf and gardening. . . . Who ever heard of gardening or golf making a woman dull?

Cannot housekeeping be made as interesting as a sport?

M. S. W.

HOME GIRL AND "TOMMY."

MARRIAGE CHOICES OF THE MEN BACK FROM FIGHTING.

DO THEY LIKE "QUIET" GIRLS?

THE men returned don't seem to fancy home life so much as many of your readers imagine. They want amusement. They want change.

I don't think, then, that the "home girl"—who appears to be the girl who stays at home—has much real chance with them.

Richmond.

ANOTHER QUIET GIRL.

HOW TO JUDGE.

FAILURE in marriage is the result of not really knowing ourselves or those with whom we propose forming an alliance.

When we meet a man or a woman with whom we think we have more than a friendly feeling we should ask ourselves the question, "What kind of a man or woman are you in character?" We have used science to help us to win the war, and often to determine the line of our careers. Why not use it to help us in love?

It is possible to get a full written phenological delineation of our character, and several charts giving the points of development of our faculties. Among these charts is a marriage chart. All this information from a disinterested party would be a very valuable asset. It is worth while.

LIEUTENANT, R.E.

FLIPPANT FLAPPERS.

THERE is no reason whatever why a "quiet" girl should be dull as well as quiet.

In fact, your flippant flapper is on the whole the dullest sort of girl I know.

I'm bored to death with her when I take her to the theatre.

Jermyon-street, W.

SUBALTERN.

IF HE CARES . . .

IN reply to "A Home Lover," I would inquire of him why he considers it difficult to meet the right type of girl.

There are many real home girls who would make excellent wives for real home boys.

A real home girl is not a prosaic, uninteresting, commonplace individual, she is full of originality and common sense.

These qualities should be easily recognised, so, wherein lies the difficulty?

I intend the right boy can meet the right girl if he is really out to do so.

CRITIC.

"LIFE AND LIBERTY."

I SHOULD like to make two remarks on the letters which have been written to you on this subject.

(1) "Reformer" asks why it is that many clergy who are anxious to reform their Church are not in favour of the suggested revision of the Divorce Laws.

The answer is that, in their opinion, the suggested alterations are not reforms.

(2) "Churchman" writes to ask the attitude of the Life and Liberty movement towards the unbefitted clergy.

I need hardly say that one of the first efforts which, in our opinion, a self-governing Church should make will be in the direction of a more even distribution of our existing endowments, and a full recognition of the rights of the unbefitted clergy, e.g., to vote for the election of proctors to Convocation. Space forbids me to go into details on either of these points, but if "Churchman" would care to write to me personally at 117, Victoria-street, S.W.1, I would gladly answer at greater length.

May I add that the fact that I have received letters from all sorts and conditions of our readers, on the subject of Church reform, shows that it is taking a foremost place in the minds of many who are anxious that the national Church should undergo a similar drastic reconstruction to that which is contemplated in many other departments of the national life.

F. A. BREMOND.

WHISKY AND WINE—A DEFENCE.

LET us look at the facts with regard to wines and alleged "profiteering."

Through the war devastating the vineyards and the troops using large quantities, the French growers have largely advanced their prices, and they are now more than four times pre-war prices.

Take claret, which one used to buy at £5 and £6 per hogshead,

but at £22.

It used to be sold at 1s. 6d. a bottle.

We sell to-day at 4s. 9d. and 5s., and it shows a very small margin of profit, whilst labour, sales, cases, straw, etc., are costing twice as much.

For port bought before the war at £50 or £60 a pipe we recently paid in public sale in Mincing-lane £165 per pipe, some thousands of gallons being freely sold at that price.

It was formerly sold at 3s. or 4s. a bottle. We have now to sell at 7s., and it is ridiculous under present conditions for your correspondents to suggest that the wine merchant is profiteering.

Then take whisky.

The distiller is getting 87s. 6d. per dozen, or 7s. 3½d. per bottle. The trade have to pack it, find straw, and sell at 9s.

H. PHILLIPS CHICK.

IN MY GARDEN.

JAN. 17.—When ordering seeds (and this should now be done) the beautiful biennials must not be forgotten. Sweet-williams have now very large and handsome flowers in good shades of colour if the best sorts are grown, while Canterbury bells will always be popular with gardeners. Honesty (white, purple and crimson) is charming in shady corners, and foxgloves (perhaps the pure white variety is the most decorative) will make a stately picture.

F. F. T.

SLIDING MOUNTAIN SIDE CAUSES WIDESPREAD DESTRUCTION IN SOUTH WALES.



Showing a futile attempt to prop up some of the cottages threatened by the slide.



A complete collapse resulting from the movement of the subsoil in the "slide" area.

Landslides in South Wales have caused an enormous destruction of small house property. The resettlement of the waterlogged soil cannot be arrested, and all attempts

made to support the threatened cottages have proved powerless to stay the devastating effects of the uncontrollable earth movements.



FOR TOILET PURPOSES.—Making a soft soap mixture for washing the young bulls. This is one of the tasks that some of our land workers have to undertake. Cattle must look well at spring shows.



ROYAL WEDDING.—Lady Powerscourt, who is announced to have opened a fund in Ireland for wedding present to Princess Patricia of Connaught.



QUITE UNOFFICIAL.—Count Plunkett, who has been appointed a delegate to Peace Conference by Irish Republicans, who claim a national status.



NOT TO BE "OURED."—A French submarine chaser which was sunk by German aircraft during a bombing raid off Dunkirk, but was afterwards raised and did good service against the enemy.



M.B.E.—Miss Elizabeth Clegg, awarded Order of the British Empire for services to Royal Dublin Fencible Prisoners of War Fund.



AFTER THE ORDER OF RELEASE.—Soldiers in the last phase of their service at the great demobilisation camp at Wimbledon. Their expressions show what the knowledge that "their bit" is done feels like.



VALUABLE SERVICE.—Mrs. Mary E. Welch-Lee, who has done much good work in the cause of Anglo-American friendship during the war.

PERSONALITIES AT THE CONFERENCE.

PEN PICTURES OF THE PEACE DELEGATES AS MEN.

By SISLEY HUDDLESTON.

What Paris thinks of her many distinguished guests and their families.

PARIS, Rue Corneille.

TO one who lives in the very atmosphere and haunts of the diplomats who are gathered together in Paris, a little study of the physiognomy of the plenipotentiaries is at once a pleasant diversion and an aid to understanding.

Fortunately two of the chief participants in the Paris deliberations have brought their daughters with them.

This seemingly insignificant fact is a clue to character. Miss Megan Lloyd George and Miss Margaret Wilson are interesting not only in themselves—and they are indeed each in their way splendid types of young women—but they serve also to throw a light upon their proud fathers.

Vivacious, natural Miss Megan—I am not sure that the British Premier is not more delighted to have her in his company than to be in the company of that group of great men on whom the eyes of the world are turned.

Graceful, accomplished Miss Margaret—I am not sure that the American President is not happier because of her artistic success among the soldiers who love her than of his own success as one of the world's intellectual leaders.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S SMILE.

His presence in Paris has certainly shown the French people that these statesmen are flesh and blood, are not thinking machines and thinking machines only. The Frenchman is often regarded as indifferent to the claims of family life. This is a profound error. He is, above all, a family man, and nothing has pleased him more than this happy though doubtless unintentional revelation that Wilson and Lloyd George, two men whom he places hardly second even to the national hero, Clemenceau, are also family men.

Thus they are regarded as human beings and not merely as lofty plenipotentiaries. Mr. Lloyd George in these days as he hurries to his motor-car wears his accustomed smile, a smile which is in the Celtic eyes even more than in the round wrinkles of the Celtic mouth. Mr. Wilson, it cannot be denied, has really resumed a somewhat severe air of detachment, but if you look closely enough you will see the twinkle behind the polished glass.

I feel sorry for the man who is instructed to interview the French Premier or even to "sup" him. For all his years, he is a human catapit. You see him emerge from a door into the courtyard of the Quai d'Orsay, and then, presto! he is gone. He moves with the velocity of a bullet. He has no eyes and no ears for anyone. He is, when he chooses, almost brutally brusque. He is about his business.

There is a worried look on the face of M. Pichon, perhaps caused by his elevated eyebrows and his moustache, which descends to his chin. Mr. Bonar Law, on the other hand, seems to have lost some of his wrinkles. Perhaps they are blown away in the breezy voyages which he makes in the clouds.

THAT STERN LOOK.

Superficially, Signor Orlando might well be taken as the picture of bonhomie. His square head, with the hair arranged like a brush, his heavy cheeks, give him a rather jovial appearance. But Orlando is one of the strongest men in the Conference. The cleverest, perhaps, is Baron Sonnino, whose thin features and whose sharp eyes reveal an implacable pursuit of the aims he has set for himself, or rather for his country.

There is a singular absence of the brooding, dreary type of face. Perhaps Mr. Balfour comes nearest to the ideal of the philosopher, with his gentle manner and his abstract melancholy. But the Italian diplomat, Marquis Salvo Ragai, also, with the refined aspect of the old nobility, possesses deep sunk eyes that seem to see visions.

Generally, however, the business type prevails.

You have the shrewd man of affairs in the short-bearded M. Vandervelde, of Belgium, and you have the solidity of Mr. Robert Lansing—placid, serious and able. It would, indeed, be difficult to fashion generalities about Colonel House, and to put him in any category. He is a student, but he does not look the part. Perhaps one could best describe him as a gentleman at large.

I think I am most interested in the appearance of M. Venizelos and M. Pashitch, both of whom remind me of the prophets of the Bible. They have a fiery faith, which is displayed in their bearded, patriarchal earnestness.

On the whole, the plenipotentiaries strike you as being a happy blend of the diplomat, the practical man, the thinker, the neat and the man of energy.

SISLEY HUDDLESTON.

HOW WE HUNT FOR HIDDEN TREASURE

FASCINATING QUEST IN WAR-STRIKEN LANDS ABROAD.

By AREA COMMANDANT.

TREASURE hunting has always had an irresistible fascination for the imaginative and adventurous. It has been the theme of endless legends and romances.

But never in the history of the world has there been so much actual treasure seeking as France and Belgium are seeing to-day.

All over the battle-stricken areas, and wherever an onrush of the devastating Hun was expected during the days of war, rich and poor deposited beneath the soil in the time of their disposal all that they valued most, camouflaging the spot as best they could from the prying eyes of the invader.

Naturally most of the treasure was interred by night, and as few people as possible were let into the secret.

Often the surreptitious burial-place was known only to a single individual. This fact has led to some awkward results.

I heard of a case the other day of a French countess who, when leaving her chateau, hurriedly entrusted her jewels, including a pearl necklace worth £10,000, to her head gardener to bury somewhere in her grounds.

He alone knew where the gems were hidden, but he was killed during the war, and now the countess is in despair.

I happened to take part in a treasure hunt in Flanders the other day. A friend of mine, the owner of a chateau, who has been serving in the French Army, returned to his home after a lapse of four years, accompanied by his wife and children. Unlike so many others,

they were fortunate in finding the ancestral home almost intact. It was just outside the zone of fire and had been occupied by German staff officers.

The occupiers had stripped the mansion of every carpet and all the curtains and rare old tapestries, but most of the Louis XIV. furniture remained unscathed.

Besides the owner of the chateau, the only person who held the secret of the hiding place of his treasures was the venerable butler, and the two headed a small procession into the grounds, everyone armed with pick or shovel.

The first halt was made at a tumble-down toolshed, filled with all kinds of garden refuse. Here, after digging to a depth of some feet, the family plate was discovered.

It had been placed in boxes, but water had penetrated, and the silver and gold articles were immersed in it, but when brought to the surface they were luckily found to be quite unharmed.

Then the contents of the wine cellar were carefully exhumed from an inconspicuous corner of the grounds—a choice collection of old vintages—and taken back proudly to their pre-war resting-place.

That evening a merry little party sampled some of the bottles with intense satisfaction, and declared that the contents had vastly improved by their four years under the soil.

The owner of this particular chateau is a keen connoisseur of antique glass ware, and the gems of his collection had been buried at the same time. This had been done by another of his trusted servants, but until he could be demolished from the French Army the site of their grave could not be determined. Soon, also, these treasures will be coming to light.

And this resurrection, at which I assisted, is only one of many more occurring every day.

C. P. S.



PREMIER SIGHT-SEEING.—Mr. Lloyd George looking at German guns captured in 1870 and now standing in courtyard of Versailles Palace.

WHY NOT NATURE IN OUR EDUCATION?

A POET'S PLEA FOR TRAINING IN LOVE OF BEAUTY.

By TERESA HOOLEY.

ONE hears pleas for sex and religion in education. Is it too much to ask that nature may be included in the reconstructed curriculum?

Not alone the dry bones of nature—botany, entomology and other kindred "ologies"—but a training that will involve a love and reverence for natural things, whether animate or inanimate.

"Oh, but nature is taught in the schools now," comes the answer.

Yes, but somehow the essential sense of wonder and beauty seems absent.

How many bluebell woods have been trampled and devastated, how many primrose banks despoiled, that children may take sheaves of drooping flowers to school, where they are pushed pell-mell into the wash-basins, there to lie unheeded till they become a sodden and unsavoury mess?

How many mother-birds have been robbed of their eggs because boys and girls, encouraged by their teachers, who were in turn inspired by a short-sighted Government, made woful depredations with a view to food economy (?), but also with the minor excuse that they were studying ornithology?

A knowledge of birds is not arrived at by breaking up their homes, nor a love of flowers, by plucking them up by the roots. There must

be sympathy and a certain imagination. Who does not know the appearance of a wood or a meadow after a school treat?

The debris of paper-bags, mineral-water bottles and banana skins, the names and initials carved on the bark of trees, the flowers and ferns pulled ruthlessly up and left to die? Though, to be just, children are not the sole offenders in this respect. It is a common failing—as common as the erection of placards advertising motor-tyres and beef juice in the loveliest parts of the country by the road and train side. There is a refreshment kiosk on the summit of Leith Hill, where one may drink ginger beer and eat oranges in the view of six counties!

The true nature education will have come to pass when children appreciate the beauty of flowers without plucking them and casting them aside to wither five minutes later; when they delight in a butterfly without picking off its wings, and in a squirrel without throwing stones at it; when they are ridden without spurs, and birds are allowed to nest in peace.

It will have come when wild birds are no more imprisoned in little cages, and wild animals no more give pitiful performances on the boards of music-halls; when hares are no longer hunted, nor dogs cast out to starve; when horses are ridden without spurs, and birds are allowed to nest in peace.

By then there will at least be no need of religion in education, for I suppose the millennium will have dawned!

T. H.

WILL YOU LIVE ON A FARM?

SOME INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT LIFE IN CANADA.

By ELLA C. SYKES.

Practical advice for girls who have married Canadian soldiers.

THERE is a well-known song called "Michigan" that has cheered our soldiers during the war. It purports to be sung by a home-sick maiden longing to "get back to the farm."

This song gave me the idea that some of the readers of *The Daily Mirror* might like to know about the life on a Canadian farm.

I have stayed on several, and although always going to bed healthily tired out I had timed my "subconscious self" to wake me at half-past four.

During the spring and summer breakfast for the family and hired men must be ready by six o'clock and often earlier, for it is a case of "full steam ahead" in wheat-growing districts where the autumn is none too long to gather in the harvest.

The farmer's wife will rise and light the stove at dawn, while her husband turns out to rouse the hired men to their work of milking the cows and tending the live stock.

DOMESTIC WORK BEGINS.

Meanwhile Mrs. Smith, as I will call her, puts water to boil in kettle and saucepan, stirs in the porridge, unless she has made it the day before, and has the table spread and everything ready for the stroke of six.

Canadians eat at lightning speed—one of the reasons why indigestion is rare in the country, and the moment the meal is finished the men go off to their work.

Mrs. Smith clears away, washes up, sweeps out the rooms, makes the beds, polishes her stove and then starts on one or another of her weekly "chores."

Monday, for example, is consecrated to the wash, and the copper filled with soft water into which soap has been siced, is placed on the stove to boil.

The linen is then tossed about in the soapy water of the washing machine, passed through the "wringer" and then put into the copper. A sousing in cold water and another in blue water follow, and then the washing is ready for the clothes-lines.

Women regard laundrywork with different eyes.

One young Englishwoman confided to me that it was the bane of her existence, and when she turned to her husband for sympathy his advice was: "Then just leave it alone, my dear," which was not exactly helpful.

Canadians, however, often thoroughly enjoy the work—perhaps because they have a passion for cleanliness in their homes—one giving me the curious reason that her hands looked so nice afterwards!

Tuesday, of course, is ironing day. The rich cream is churned into delicious butter every three or four days, while bread is usually made towards the end of the week.

THE MIDDAY MEAL.

But, whatever is afoot, a keen eye must be kept on the clock in order that a substantial dinner may be ready at noon.

Mrs. Smith will rally out to her vegetable patch and hoe up potatoes and carrots, and, if there is no "butcher's meat," there will be no lack of bacon and milk puddings.

After the meal is cleared away she will wash over her kitchen floor, that is often covered with mud brought in on the boots of her mankind, and then comes a time of rest, when the farmer's wife can take "forty winks" or write her letters or "hitch up" the buggy and drive to a neighbouring farm for a chat with its mistress.

Such quick workers are Canadian women that Mrs. Smith will spend the last available moment with her friend, and yet an appetising tea with the inevitable bacon and fried potatoes, fruit in syrup and scones and cakes, will be on the table at half-past six.

Winter is the time for rest and amusement, and when Mrs. Smith gives a dance it is not such a formidable undertaking as might be thought, for the neighbours lend crockery and cutlery, and come to help her with the cooking, bringing all sorts of gifts in kind which will grace the supper-table.

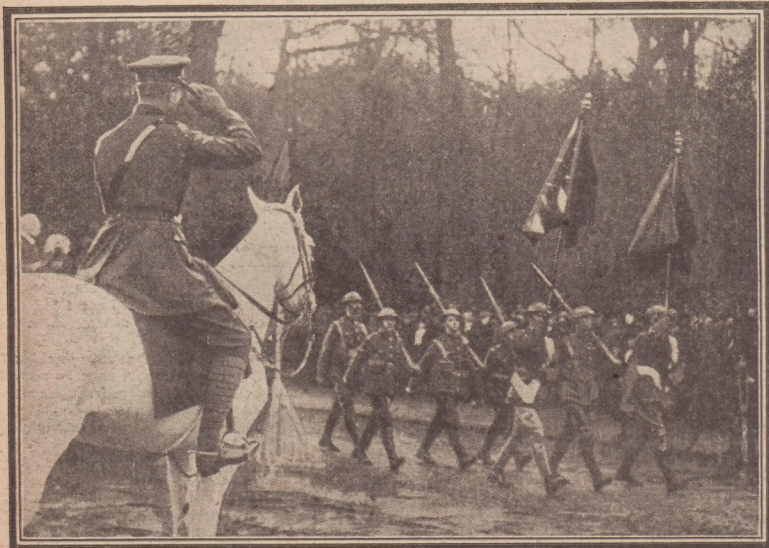
When the festivity is over the guests give a hand with the "wash up," leaving everything in its place before the buggies convey the cheery dancers to all points of the compass.

If life on a Canadian farm seems to an English girl to be a round of hard work, let her remember that "practice makes perfect," and let her not be too proud to take any a labour-saving hint from her sisters in the Dominion.

It depends on herself whether she "makes good" or not, and if she does she will never regret having come to Canada.

ELLA C. SYKES.

KING ALBERT REVIEWS FAMOUS 55th.



King Albert of the Belgians salutes the colours of the famous Fifty-Fifth Division of the British Army as they pass before him in review at Brussels.—(Official.)



King Albert conversing with the Earl of Derby after review of the troops.—(Official.)



Lord Derby watches, from his motor-car, the men of the Fifty-Fifth Division at the royal review at Brussels.—(Official.)



D.F.C.—Capt. W. B. Green, of the Royal Air Force, who has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for gallantry.



C.B.—Mr. Charles Fraser Adair Hore, Assistant Secretary, Ministry of Munitions, who has been awarded the C.B.



HONOURING DEAD V.C. HERO.—Right Hon. Dr. Macnamara, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, presenting an address and a gift of War Bonds to the mother of Able-Seaman Albert McKenzie, V.C., at Camberwell.

BALKAN CROWN PRINCE—



The Crown Prince of Rumania at the launch of new tanker.

The Crown-Prince Nicholas of Rumania launched the first 1,000-ton oil-tank vessel built of concrete to be constructed in England.

NEWS



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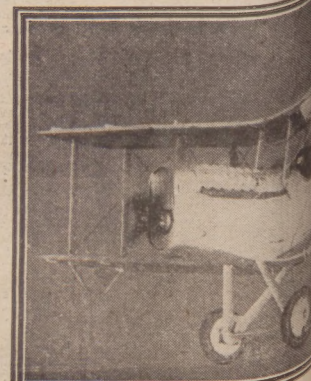
THE FLAG OF VICTORY.—A party of British men hoist the white ensign over an enemy aerodrome in the Balkan battle.



W.A.A.C. OFFICER.—Miss E. Birkett, Assistant Administrator of Queen Mary's Army Auxiliary Corps at Borstal Heath.



BELGIAN HONOUR.—Lieut. A. E. Buckland, B.N., awarded the Croix de Guerre by the King of the Belgians.



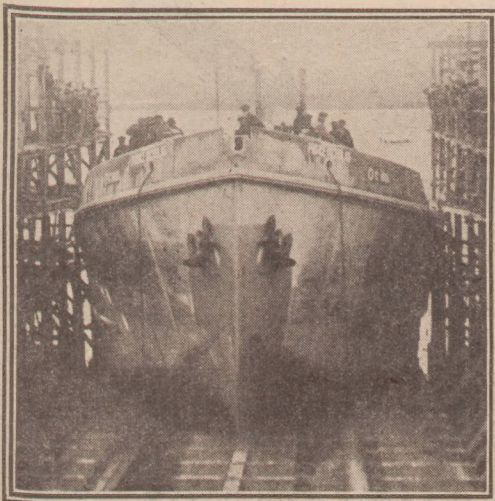
LONDON AND PARIS—THE NEW WAY.—One of the aeroplanes de luxe between the two Conference.

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NEWS

—LAUNCHES TANKER.



The 1,000-ton tanker taking the water at Poole Shipyard. The new vessel is 198ft. in length, 33ft. wide, and has a carrying capacity of 750 tons of oil. Poole is proud of her.

HUNS' LATEST U-BOATS SURRENDERED:



British naval officers boarding a surrendered German submarine in the North Sea.—(Daily Mirror.)



NEW TRADES FOR SOLDIERS.—Partially-disabled service men being trained at the Manchester Art School in poster, sign and ticket writing.



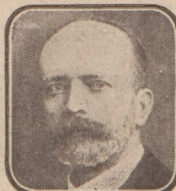
Hun commander of U-boat 50 gives final commands to his crew.—(Daily Mirror.)



A decorated gunner of U-boat 50, which is said to have sunk H.M.S. Britannia.—(Daily Mirror.)



ENGAGED.—Miss Constance M. Watson, who is engaged to be married to Capt. J. W. Cook, son of Rt. Hon. Sir J. Cook.

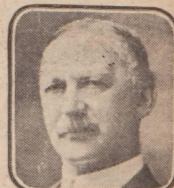


K.C.B.—Sir George Vandeleur Fiddes, K.C.B., Permanent Under-Secretary of State, Colonial Office, awarded A.C.B.



U-boat crew lined up for surrender of their craft.—(Daily Mirror.)

The Huns have been made to understand that the armistice condition demanding surrender of all U-boats must be carried out to the last letter.



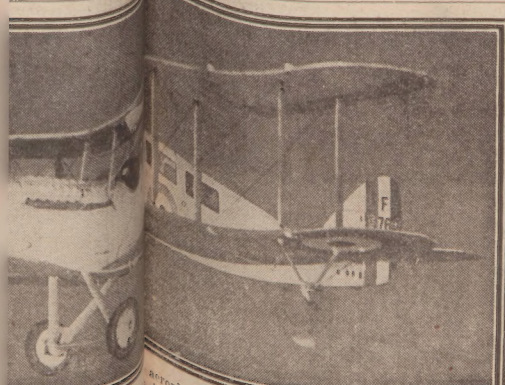
BELFAST LEADER.—Councillor J. C. White, Lord Mayor of Belfast. His year of office will be a notable one.



U.S. EMBASSY.—Mr. J. Butler Wright, who has been appointed to U.S. Embassy, has now arrived in London.



A party of British soldiers in uniform.



THE NEW WAY.—On the Peace Conference ship, which will be used to carry Peace Conference delegates between the two capitals.

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Lady Seton, who has written new poems.

Mrs. Norman Hodges, widow of Capt. Norman Hodges, a winner of the Military Cross.

PRINCESS "PAT'S" PAGE

Distributing the Minor Offices—Pictures for Cigarettes.

MORE DETAILS are forthcoming about the wedding of Princess Patricia. I hear that Lord MacDuff, the little son of Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught, will be one of the pages to his aunt. Two of the children of the Crown Princess of Sweden will also, I am told, be in the procession.

The Prince as Partner.

I had a chat with a girl who had been dancing with the Prince of Wales in France lately. "Jolly!" she said. "He's the jolliest part of her ever was known, talks and makes jokes as if you were a doll. And such a waltzer!" Here words failed her.

Home Again.

Mr. Monar Law, according to present arrangements, is expected back in London this week-end. Let us hope he will have a clear day, if he flies. His outward journey was unfortunate as to weather.

To and Fro.

As one Ministry returns, another goes. Peel problems are pressing, and Mr. G. H. Roberts is off to Paris to show the international delegates what a fine Food Controller we have.

The International Army.

One of the points to be discussed in the League of Nations proposals is the size of the respective contributions towards the international military police. I am told that our war Army. But, of course, everything is in the air.

New Job.

There is a post filled by the Home Secretary which few people have heard of. It is the chairmanship of the Home Affairs Committee, which is a kind of a miniature Cabinet to deal with Home affairs, as, indeed, the name would seem to indicate. Mr. Short succeeds Lord Cave in the position.

Junketing.

There is an onerous responsibility on the shoulders of Sir Hamar Greenwood. He is making arrangements for the dinner at which the Liberal Coalitionists are to gather. Mr. Lloyd George has promised to be there.

"F. E." and Gray's Inn.

Sir F. E. Smith's Lord Chancellorship is hailed with delight at Gray's Inn, of which he is a bencher. "F. E." has always taken that interest in his Inn, which now boasts that it supplied the greatest Chancellor in Lord Bacon and the youngest in Sir Frederick.

A Sinecure.

Lord Jersey's new appointment as a Lord of the Bedchamber to the King will entail less anxiety than his office of Senior Steward of the Jockey Club in war time, when he was subjected to a lot of thoughtless criticism.

A Derby Second.

It was largely due to his diplomatic methods that the ball was kept rolling at all. Good sportmen will hope to see him go one better than in 1910, when Greenback carried his colours in to second place in the Derby.

More Light.

Mr. Lloyd George has made up his mind, I am told, to carry through a big electrical scheme with national power stations for the distribution of cheap light and power. In the meantime, the Local Government Board is issuing no Provisional Orders for municipal or private electric power schemes.

The Seton Inquest.

I was at the Kensington Coroner's Court yesterday afternoon when the inquest upon Major Seton was held. The tiny court was packed to its utmost capacity, and I noticed a fair number of women were present.

Witnesses.

The principal witness was Sir Malcolm Seton. He answered every question clearly and deliberately, and once he took a diary from his pocket and glanced at it in order to verify a date. Lady Seton was looking rather pale, but declined the permission of the coroner to retire from the court.

More Valorous Veterans.

I am reminded, apropos recent paragraphs, that the very oldest V.C. must be General Sir John Watson, who is ninety this year. He went all through the Mutiny, and his war experiences extended from the Punjab campaign of '48 to the Afghan War of '80—a fine record! Sir John acquired three wounds as well as the bronze cross.

Armistice Anomalies.

Is there any need for women to "put up" Service chevrons? Yesterday I saw a Highland officer walking with a smartly-dressed lady who wore two blue overseas chevrons on the sleeve of her coat. Of course, she may have been entitled to them, but why wear them in mufti?

Broken Cables.

One of our greatest experts in the difficult art of cable repairing tells me that no fewer than three are broken at the present time. As one of these is in mid-Atlantic, his look is one which is rarely tinged with gaiety.

Good News for Lyricists.

Some of the most famous songs in the world have only produced for their authors a pound or two. But the tidy sum of £1,000 is offered by the *London Magazine* for a marching song suitable for the celebration of the conclusion of hostilities. Some poet and some composer are going to find themselves celebrities.

No Houses.

A new development of the hunt for homes was mentioned to me by an agent yesterday. Despairing of getting any other kind of "desirable residence," some house-hunters are taking empty shops with living quarters attached. No; they do not open the shops, but pay the rent demanded for the chance to use the rooms.

Secondhand Bicycles.

I see that purveyors of secondhand bicycles are asking high prices. The minimum is generally £6, though £8 and £10 are often asked. In pre-war days a good second-hand machine could be obtained for 30s. or £2.

Triple D.S.O. M.P.

Although there are several D.S.O.s in Parliament there is only one who has won the honour three times over. Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Wesley Weldon McLean.



Mrs. Norah C. Range, O.B.E., superintends the free buffet at Paddington Station.



Mrs. Dorothy Hellyer, who has worked at a Y.M.C.A. hut for four years.

M.P. for Brigg, is one of the very few officers—there are less than three dozen all told in the Service—who are entitled to wear a D.S.O. with two bars. A Canadian Scot, he won his triple honours while in charge of a battery of artillery.

"Temps" Troubles.

Temporary Civil Servants are again grumbling at the delay of the Treasury in granting them a bonus to meet the rising high cost of living. The matter, I am told, is "under consideration." In some departments temporary boy messengers have been given a substantial bonus and the girl clerks not a penny.

A Hint to Art Dealers.

Mr. Eric Kennington, who is now with the Canadians on the Rhine as an "official artist," writes to me about the hardships he had to endure on the march. Cigarettes were at times so scarce that more than once he had to barter a portrait drawing for a "gasper" made of ten leaves! What an opportunity for an enterprising art dealer!

Canadian Music.

A help to appreciation of art is the music given daily by a Canadian military band at the Royal Academy War Memorials exhibition. An old lady was pointed out to me who, ever since the opening day a fortnight ago, spends two hours every afternoon in the Sculpture Hall listening to the surprisingly mellow strains of this brass band.

Let Joy Be Unconfined.

From the Riviera comes the glad news that the carnival at Nice is likely to be revived. Things all round are beginning to look as if hostilities had really ceased in Europe.

More Dancing.

It is not for nothing that "Albert Hall" rhymes to "hall"; and there will be another big dancing function there at the end of the month. The promoters of the United Services' Costume Ball claim that it will surpass everything of the kind yet held. As King George's Fund for Sailors will benefit this is all as it should be.

The Purchaser.

The Duc d'Orleans bought the signed photographs of Marshal Foch and M. Clemenceau which were put up to auction at the recent Pavilion matinee. He gave £126 and £45 respectively.

An International.

Rugby "Internationals" seem to have a way of winning the Military Cross and other honours. The latest to gain the M.C. is Lieutenant Frank Hutchinson, who played for Headingley and also for England.

The General Wins.

One of the successful riders at the latest meeting behind the lines was Brigadier-General Paynter, who twice won the Military Gold Cup at Sandown for the Scots Guards. Even then he had to "waste" hard to do the weight.

Sinn Fein Rampant.

The Sinn Feiners have carried out their threat at Mullingar to put a stop to hunting. I regret to hear that they forced the West Meath Hunt to abandon their meet and compelled hounds to return to kennels.

Unhackeded.

I do appreciate a novel phrase, and therefore do I take off my hat to the peddling woman on whom a friend closed his door.



Mrs. R. S. Knox, the Canadian wife of Major Knox, D.S.O., of the Inniskillings.



Prof. Oscar Browning, the historian, who has just had his eighty-second birthday.

rather sharply yesterday, but not too sharply to say: "You are a fine nobleman, I must say!"

Now Superstitions.

Soldiers home from France have brought with them some new superstitions, one of which suggests that it is not lucky to meet a donkey first thing in the morning, though it is the reverse later in the day. Marshal Foch even, so the story goes, was not immune from this.

More Theatres Wanted.

Among the managers looking for more theatres is Mr. Robert Courtneidge. He wants to put on in the West End his new comic opera, "Petticoat Fair."

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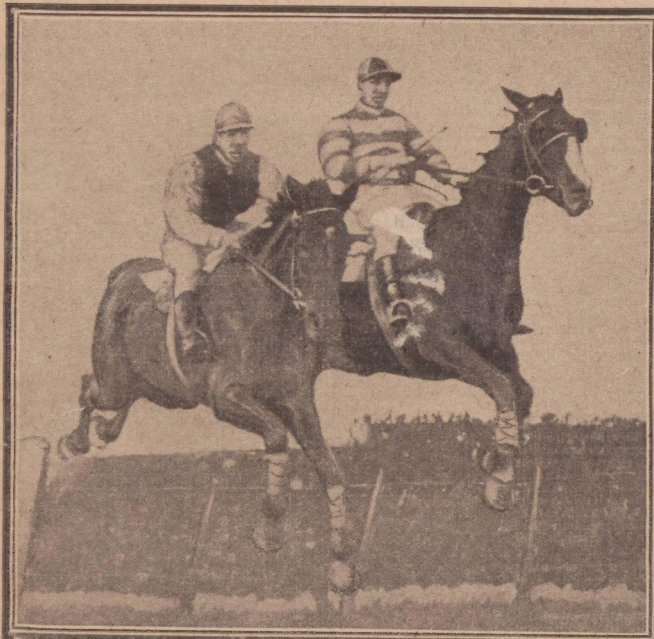
A fair competitor from Ireland, who has devoted much time and energy to war work.



For the greater part of the war has been doing voluntary work at a war hospital supply depot.



Was busily engaged in work for British Red Cross and Order of St. John.



RACING AT GATWICK.—Mr. H. Bottomley's Corydon winning the match by three lengths from Mr. J. White's Ivanhoe.



Watching the numbers go up for the Timberham Hurdle.



Gatwick held a most successful two-days' meeting, the excellent attendance auguring well for racing. Above is shown the crowd in the ring. It will be noticed that quite a lot of khaki was present.

PROSPECTS OF TO-DAY'S BIG FOOTBALL MATCHES.

"All Blacks" Great Contest at Richmond—Will Forest Win?

BRENTFORD AT HIGHBURY.

Perhaps the most interesting match to-day is the meeting at Richmond of the New Zealand Active Service Rugby team and the New Zealand side of men in Great Britain. The latter have met Wales twice and drew one match and lost by a try on the other occasion. The Trench team have twice beaten France.

The Trench team, who had a pipe-opener on Wednesday against a side of the Public Schools at Richmond, is likely after practice to prove a very strong combination, but whether it will be powerful enough to defeat the "home" side, which has had a month's play, is another matter.

Understand that any "Anzac" who wants leave to see the match will find it in any way possible, and the utmost enthusiasm prevails in the force as to the result. It is likely to be the biggest "Rugger" crowd seen in London for many a long day.

So far as the Football League games are concerned, those in the Lancashire and Midland sections are return games to those played last Saturday, when some extraordinary results were seen. For instance, a victory of Notts County at Birmingham was one of the most astounding results of the whole season. Would the ordinary man lay great odds that the Brums, although playing at their Bridge to-day, will not reverse the result? Just that one defeat may easily mean the destruction of Birmingham's championship aspirations. Notts County are so tremendously on the top of their game, however, that I fancy their chances this afternoon.

FOREST "WOBBLY."

Nottingham Forest, the leaders, are going a bit shakily just now. Their display last week against Leicester was not up to championship standard, and they will have to set their house in order to retain their position. I should not be surprised if the Fosse, who drew at Nottingham, took both points to-day.

Bradford are a great side at the moment—I should equal to nearly anything in the country. Their game at Hull last week was well won, and it came after Hull had escaped defeat for nine weeks in the League table. It is the Bradford forward line, in which Baileop, the evergreen, is playing in a great form, that is doing so well just now. I have a great respect for the Hull defence, but think that Sheffield will confirm last week's result.

Sheffield United had a welcome last week over Coventry, but that was at Bramall Lane. That they will repeat their performance in the city famous for bicycles and Lady Godiva is hardly likely, but the Wednesday, who won at Lincoln, will almost assuredly score a second victory over their lower-placed opponents at Sheffield.

Rotherham, after playing twenty games without a victory, beat Huddersfield in the twenty-first, and prove that they are a better side than their early season record would make it appear. Still, I think that Huddersfield will take a revenge to-day, and that they, although playing at Barnsley, may pre-empt the Grimsby and Gillingham, who seem to have gone all to pieces.

EVERTON'S RECORD.

In the Lancashire section there are some matches which look like foregone conclusions, notably that between Everton and Oldham are engaged at Goodison Park. I don't know whether Everton will sub in the three big English Leagues, and the on the copybook, and they have twice beaten Liverpool, their nearest rivals. At any rate, it should not be a surprise if they make war-time Liverpool look a clean sheet to the end.

Southport Vulcan fairly easily at Anfield last Saturday, and should repeat the performance at Southport to-day, but it will probably be a fine game. Stoke, who scored six goals at Southport last week, may not get so big a crop of goals, but they will win pretty easily.

In the Northern Victory League the best match is between Bolton Wanderers and Middlesbrough at the completion of the season, but it will probably not be expected to be a foregone conclusion to make the game win at St. James.

The games in the London Combination are once again a very interesting series. Arsenal v. Brentford at Highbury is perhaps the pick of the bunch, the head of affairs for so long, with the exceptions of Corporal J. Peart and Sergeant Amos, who will be unable to play. There will be few, if any, changes

in the Arsenal side, and do not be surprised if the "Boss" gets a check.

Chelsea wish it to be known that their match with West Ham takes place at Stamford Bridge, and not Upton Park which has been announced in some quarters. West Ham will be without last week's star, S. Puddefoot, who had so much to do with the defeat of the "Spurs," and Corporal Kinsopp will play at centre forward. Chelsea will make no changes, and the match on recent form looks very open.

By the way, Chelsea will make a fight to remain in the First League. They have appealed to the Management Committee of the Football League to consider the position in which the club is at present placed. They point out that, according to the Football League's handbook, they appear as a second Division club, and contend that that means that the Management Committee concurs in the award of two points to Manchester United for a game the result of which was prearranged in Manchester United's favour.

Crystal Palace will very probably have Corporal Whitworth, their great scoring forward, playing for them at Selhurst against Fulham, and other changes are possible in a side which has been subject to considerable fluctuation all the season. Fulham expect to have their usual team, and, as both clubs have been on the winning side lately, there should be a great struggle, with chances slightly favouring the Palace.

Millwall may possibly have Davis, their great centre forward, back in their side which will play Queen's Park Rangers at Shepherd's Bush. Both clubs were on the winning side last week. The Millwall have slightly the better record, but they may have been on the top of their form lately and may score an away win.

The "Spurs," who will be without their centre forward, Lieutenant Peart, who has returned to the North, will have Elliott in their half-back line instead of Air Mechanic Tomkins. The Orient, who have only won one of twenty-one games, have not definitely fixed on their side, but, in any case, the "Spurs" should win.

P. J. MOSS.

TO-DAY'S FOOTBALL MATCHES.

LANCASHIRE SECTION.
Bolton v. Blackburn R. Preston N.E. v. Port Vale.
Barley v. Burnley. Rochdale v. Manchester.
Everton v. Oldham Athletic. Southport v. Fulham.
Manchester U. v. Stockport C. Stoke v. Blackpool.

MIDLAND SECTION.
Barnley v. Leeds City. Huddersfield v. Rotherham.
Bradford v. Hull City. Leicester F.C. v. Notts Forest.
Coventry C. v. Sheffield U. Notts Co. v. Birmingham.
Grimsby Town v. Bradford C. Sheffield W. v. Lincoln City.

LONDON COMBINATION.
"Spurs" v. Clapton Orient. Crystal Palace v. Fulham.
Chelsea v. West Ham U. Queens P.R. v. Millwall.
Arsenal v. Brentford.

NORTHERN VICTORY LEAGUE.
Hartlepool U. v. S. Shields. Sunderland v. Middlesbrough.
Darlington v. Durham City. Southwood v. Newcastle U.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.—Airdrie v. Kilmarnock, Clyde v. Hamilton Academical, Dumbarton v. Greenock Morton, Falkirk v. Clydebank, Hibernians v. Partick Thistle, Motherwell v. Argy, Glasgow Rangers v. Queen's Park, St. Mirren v. Celtic, Third Lanark v. Hearts.

UNITED SENIOR LEAGUE.—Southall v. Great Western Railway, Hampton Town v. Barnet, Alton, Wimbledon v. Derry.

OTHER MATCHES.—Nunhead v. Clapton, Indian Gymkhana v. Spartans, Royal Navy v. The Army (at Plymouth), Leytonstone v. R.E. (Purbeck), Dulwich Hamlet v. Cyprians, Ilford v. Sterling A.C.

RUGBY RULES.—Richmond, New Zealanders (United Kingdom) v. New Zealand Trench Team; Grove Park, R.A.F.C. v. R.E. (Bedford); Leicester, Leicester v. M.G.F.C. (Grantham); Newport, Pili Harriers v. Bristol; Molesey, London Canadians v. Australians; Richmond, Public Schools v. M.G.C. (Maresfield); Aberlure, Aberlure v. Pontypool; Woolwich, R.M.A. v. R.A.F. (Idle of Grass).

NORTHERN UNION LEAGUE.—Leigh v. Swinton; Oldham v. Rochdale Hornets; Salford v. Broughton Rangers; St. Helens v. St. Helens Recreation; Hull v. Bradford Northern; Hunslet v. Bramley; Wakefield Trinity v. Batley.

THE WORLD OF SPORT.

GloUCESTER Cricket.—Gloucestershire County C.C. have decided to play at least sixteen matches this year.

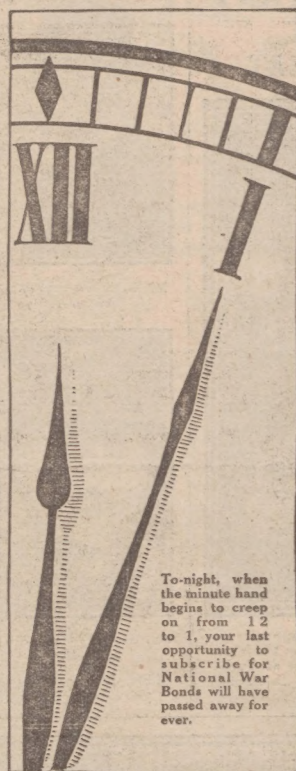
Essex F.A. Rejected.—Yesterday at a meeting at Chelmsford the Essex F.A. was rejected, after being in abeyance since the outbreak of the war.

Yesterday's Billiards.—Bennett at Soho-square: S. H. Fry, 1,000; M. J. Vaughan, 635. Closing score at Leicester-square: Stevenson, 14,295; Falkner, 14,137.

Objection to Sir Percy.—An objection has been lodged against Sir Percy, winner of the Tinsley Selling Stomphouse at Galway, on Wednesday, on the grounds that the trainer does not hold a training licence.

To-night's Boxing.—Billy Jones of Wales, and Johnny Sheppard, Bow, provide the chief bout at the Ring to-night in a contest of twenty rounds. At the same venue Harry Jordan v. A. Davidson and Seanan Isaac v. Corporal Burchell, box ten rounds.

The King's Athletics Cup.—The first competition for the cup presented by the King to the Southern Counties' Cross-Country Association as a challenge trophy for an annual services team race will be decided this afternoon at Kenley Aerodrome.



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MAJOR COHEN'S SEAT.



This seat in the House of Commons has been specially reserved for Major J. B. Cohen, the member for the Fairfield Division of Liverpool, who lost both legs at Ypres. It will not be necessary for him to "peg out his claim," i.e., to leave his card on the seat.



Mr. John Sweeney, defendant.



Mr. George Barker, defendant.



Mlle. Henriette Janvier, the young French plaintiff, leaving the Law Courts yesterday.

Mlle. Janvier, who sued two inquiry agents, was awarded £250 damages by the jury yesterday. The Judge, however, reserved judgment.—(Daily Mirror exclusive.)

IN NEWS.



Lady Londonderry, who has organised a meeting to discuss Women's Legion scheme for raising standard of domestic service.



Mrs. Claude Daubuz, wife of Maj. Claude Daubuz and daughter of Maj. Sir Thomas Pauley, who has given birth to a son.



Lady Wyndham (Miss Mary Moore) arriving at the church.



Crowd outside St. Martin's-in-the-Fields awaiting arrivals for memorial service



Mr. Arthur Bouchier attends memorial service to late Sir Charles Wyndham.

THE STAGE'S FAREWELL TO SIR CHARLES WYNDHAM.—The memorial service to the late actor was held yesterday at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar-square, and was

conducted by the Rev. Canon Edgar Sheppard. It was attended by a large number of the dead actor's friends.—(Daily Mirror photographs.)



Sub-Lieut. (now Act-Lieut.) E. D. Rowe, R.N., awarded D.S.O. During battle of Jutland he was navigating officer of H.M.S. Nestor. He controlled the gunnery with such cool bravery that two of the enemy destroyers were quickly sunk.



Lieut.-Com. Edward Hilton Young, D.S.O., M.P., R.N.V.R., who has been awarded the D.S.O. in recognition of his services while in command of an armoured train during the operations on the Archangel-Vologda Railway.



Lieut.-Com. William Scott Chalmers, R.N., awarded the D.S.O. in recognition of his services with the horse boats on the Belgian canals and the naval siege guns on shore in Flanders. He displayed the greatest courage, quickness and resource.



Com. James L. C. Clark, D.S.O., R.N., who, it is announced, has been appointed an Officer of the Order of the Crown of Belgium by King Albert of the Belgians in recognition of conspicuous good service during the whole period of the war.



Capt. Edward R. G. R. Evans, C.B., D.S.O., R.N., who has received the Order of the Tower and Sword from the President of the Portuguese Republic, 2nd Class. Capt. Evans was with the expedition to the Antarctic in which Capt. Scott lost his life.



Lieut.-Col. Charles E. H. Rathbone, R.A.F., awarded the D.S.O. During a long-distance raid he acted as pilot of a fighting machine which formed part of the escort and displayed great bravery and resource when attacked by enemy.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN HONOURS.—Awards for gallant work with the naval forces have just been gazetted. Among those honoured are Captain Evans, the Broke's commander.